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**SEC. 5.** Whoever hinders, obstructs, or interferes with any officer, inspector, or duly authorized agent of the State board of health while in the performance of his duties, or violates or disobeys any of the orders, rules, or regulations which may be made or given by the State board of health or any officer, inspector, or agent thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$50, or by imprisonment for not less than 10 nor more than 30 days.

**Quarantine—Supplies Furnished to Persons Under Quarantine—Expenses of, to be Borne by Local Authorities. (Chap. 181, Act Mar. 24, 1915.)**

Section 2 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1909 is hereby amended by adding to said section the words "but the provisions of this section shall not release the State from the obligations which are imposed upon it by sections 30, 31, 32, and 33 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

"**SEC. 2.** All expenses including all supplies of food and medicine including anti-toxin incurred in carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this act, or incurred in furnishing families or persons affected with tuberculosis with burnable spitcups, or other supplies needed to prevent the spread of infection, or such part thereof as the board may determine, shall be deemed a legitimate expenditure for the protection of the public health and shall be charged to the account of incidental expenses of the town, but not to any pauper account, nor shall any person so quarantined and assisted, be considered a pauper, or be subject to disfranchisement for that cause unless such persons are already paupers as defined by the Revised Statutes; but the provisions of this section shall not release the State from the obligations which are imposed upon it by sections 30, 31, 32, and 33 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes."

**State Board of Health—Organization, Powers, and Duties. (Chap. 338, Act Apr. 2, 1915.)**

**SECTION 1.** Section 2 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of said section which follows the word "shall" in line 19 and inserting in place thereof the words, "as soon as practicable after the close of each year which is indicated by an odd number, report to the governor and council of their doings, investigations, and discoveries during the biennial period just ended, with such suggestions as to legislative action as they may deem necessary," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

"**SEC. 2.** The State board of health shall have the general supervision of the interests of health and life of the citizens of the State. They shall study the vital statistics of the State, and endeavor to make intelligent and profitable use of collected records of deaths and of sickness among the people; they shall make sanitary investigations and inquiries respecting the causes of disease and especially of communicable diseases and epidemics, the causes of mortality, and the effects of localities, employments, conditions, ingesta, habits, and circumstances on the health of the people; they shall investigate the causes of disease occurring among the stock and domestic animals in the State, and the methods of remedying the same; they shall gather such information in respect to all these matters as they may deem proper for diffusion among the people; they shall, when required, or when they shall deem it best, advise officers of the Government, or other boards within the State, in regard to the location, drainage, water supply, disposal of excreta, heating and ventilation of any public institution or building; they shall from time to time examine and report upon works on the subject of hygiene for the use of schools of the State; they shall have general oversight and direction of the enforcement of the statutes respecting the preservation of health; and they shall, as soon as practicable after the close of each year which is indicated by an odd number, report to the governor and council of their doings,